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MAY HAVE MEANT TO KILL TAFT

Dynamite Explosion Takes Place in City of Panama.

BLAST OCCURS TOO LATE

Fifteen Minutes After President Taft Had Passed Along Street on the Way to a Ball in His Honor a Building Is Blown Up—One Man Badly Injured and Several Arrests Are Made.

Panama, Dec. 26.—Fifteen minutes after President Taft had passed on his way to the ball in his honor in the National theater a kiosk near the central station on Central avenue, the principal street of the town, was blown up with dynamite while the street was still lined with police.

One man was badly injured. Several arrests were made.

The mayor and the reception committee hurried from the ball to the scene of the dynamiting.

TAFT DANCES WITH HOSTESS

Forced to Leave United States Territory to Attend Panama Ball.

Panama, Dec. 26.—The president of the United States spent part of Christmas outside of American territory. He attended the ball given in his honor by General Porras and this function was held in the National theater at Panama. It was therefore necessary for President Taft to leave the limits of the canal zone in order to fulfill his engagement.

The streets of the capital were crowded and the buildings were gaily decorated. Red shirted firemen, guarding the route over which the presidential party passed, made the scene a picturesque one.

The members of the diplomatic corps, the canal officials, the cabinet ministers and officials of the republic were present and united in giving President Taft a hearty reception. The president danced with Senora Porras.

INVOLVES CORPORATION TAX

Argument on Suit in Supreme Court Occurs Jan. 6.

Washington, Dec. 26.—A corporation tax issue involving the right of the federal government to collect hundreds of thousands of dollars in taxes from thousands of corporations which have leased their property will be argued in the United States supreme court Jan. 6. The case, according to an announcement by Solicitor General Bullitt, is that of the Minehill and Schuykill Haven Railroad company, which sued the collector of internal revenue at Philadelphia for \$5,000 collected by the government under the corporation tax law. This \$4,000,000 corporation, by the authority of the legislature of Pennsylvania, leased its property to the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad company at an annual rental of \$25,000.

WOULD STERILIZE INSANE

Utah Insanity Board Also Would Have State Control Marriage.

Salt Lake City, Dec. 26.—Sterilization of persons unfit to have offspring is advocated in the biennial report of the state board of insanity and the superintendent of the state mental hospital, filed with the governor. The following recommendations are made in the report:

Sterilization of all persons insane from hereditary causes.

Creation of a state board of eugenics to control marriages and issue certificates for licenses to only the fit.

An amendment to the penal code giving the upper courts the power to impose a sentence of sterilization in lieu of imprisonment in certain statutory crimes.

A law giving the board of pardons the power to make sterilization a requirement precedent of parole or pardon from penal institutions when in the judgment of the bureau of eugenics such is necessary.

Viceroy of India Improves.

Delhi, India, Dec. 26.—The official bulletin issued concerning the condition of the viceroy, Baron Hardinge, who was severely injured by a bomb thrown by an Indian fanatic Monday, describes progress as satisfactory, but adds that the physicians believe he will not be able to resume his duties within two or three weeks. The temperature of the patient is normal and the pain is subsiding.

FARMER ACCUSED OF MURDER

Charged With Having Beaten Alleged Chicken Thief to Death.

Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 26.—Ernest Reasland, a well known farmer near here, is charged with having telephoned county officials that he feared he had injured a man seriously and then, hanging up the receiver, he is alleged to have killed Frank Albrashsky with a piece of cordwood. Reasland accuses Albrashsky of stealing his chickens.

Reasland says he acted in self-defense.

DYNAMITE CASE NEARING AN END

Jury Must Find Separate Verdicts for Each Defendant.

CONTENTION OF GOVERNMENT

As There Are Twenty-six Counts Against Each Defendant, Making a Total Possible Penalty of Thirty-nine and One-half Years, the Federal Lawyers Claim That the Sentences Are Cumulative in the Discretion of the Court.

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—The cases of the forty labor union officials, accused of promoting the McNamara dynamiting plot in the ironworkers' strike against employers of nonunion labor, will go to the jury within twenty-four hours, or possibly sooner.

At the close of all arguments Federal Judge Albert B. Anderson will instruct the jury. It is understood the court's outline of the law as to what testimony shall be applied to certain defendants will require about an hour.

The jury will be asked to return a separate verdict for each defendant.

It is composed of farmers or merchants from rural districts of Indiana.

The fact that the jury must vote on each defendant after considering the testimony the court holds applicable to him is the basis for a belief that verdicts will not be returned in less than a day. There are twenty-six counts against each defendant, twenty-five of which provide a maximum penalty of eighteen months' imprisonment and one which provides a maximum imprisonment of two years.

The government contends that the penalties for the offenses charged are cumulative in the discretion of the court—or a total possible penalty of thirty-nine and one half years.

Great Mass of Exhibits.

The room in the federal building in which the jurors have been kept under guard for almost three months was made ready for the mass of exhibits to be turned over for reference during the jury's deliberations.

These exhibits include revolvers, shotguns, pieces of infernal machines and clockwork attachments used by Orth E. McManigal and the McNamara brothers on their dynamiting expeditions; and letters written by Olaf A. Tveitmoe and Eugene A. Clancy of San Francisco, and J. E. Munsey of Salt Lake City, who are charged with complicity in the Los Angeles Times' explosion.

Bundles of other letters in which Frank C. Webb of New York, Phillip A. Cooley of New Orleans, John T. Butler of Buffalo and a dozen or more business agents of the ironworkers' union are accused of directing explosions on nonunion jobs also are to be placed with the jury.

District Attorney Charles W. Miller's argument to the jury was devoted largely to reviewing McManigal's confession as a hired dynamiter. The district attorney maintained the confession had been corroborated in every important detail.

SCATTERS WEDDING GUESTS

Bride's Stepfather Enters Room and Begins Firing.

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 26.—A Christmas wedding ceremony at Taylorville, Ill., thirty-six miles east of here, was converted into a tragedy and two persons are at the point of death.

John Belder, a carpenter, to avenge some grievance he is said to have had against his wife, shot his mother-in-law, Mrs. Emma Fisher, sixty-eight years old, and battled with the Taylorville police. He was cornered and caught by a ruse. When captured it was found Belder had been shot near the heart by one of the officers. Mrs. Fisher and Belder probably will die.

Belder, said to have been drinking, went to the home of Mrs. Fisher in the residence district of Taylorville where relatives had gathered for the wedding of his stepdaughter, Miss Elsie Bates, to Ora Redfern.

He followed the pastor into the church, drew a revolver and began firing at his wife. She ran out of a back door, followed by her husband. Three shots were fired. None was effective.

DIES WHILE SON SAYS MASS

Aged Father of Detroit Priest Is Asphyxiated.

Detroit, Dec. 26.—While his son, Rev. Adam Marcinkiewicz, was celebrating mass in a local Roman Catholic church Nieden Marcinkiewicz, aged seventy-seven, of Buffalo, was accidentally asphyxiated in the priest's home.

The aged man came here to spend the Christmas holidays. It is believed that when he arrived he turned on a gas jet, mistaking it for a nearby electric light switch. The body was found by the son, returning after mass.

Reasland says he acted in self-defense.

HENRY D. FLOOD.

May Succeed Sulzer at Head of Foreign Affairs Committee.



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SCRAMBLE FOR OFFICE NOW ON

Power of Patronage Shown by Acts of Politicians.

TAFT MAY TOUR THE WORLD.

After Year of Lecturing at Yale Ex-President May Travel in Interests of International Peace—Sagebrush May Be Useful for Production of Rubber, Alcohol, Etc.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington, Dec. 26.—[Special.]—That patronage is about the most important thing connected with politics, save when some great moral or commercial issue is in controversy, was shown just before the adjournment in the efforts which the Democrats were making to save the offices for men of their party and the effort the Republicans were making to secure appointments and confirmations before the 4th of March so that their partisans might hold office for the next four years.

It was not a very inspiring spectacle, this scramble for office, but it shows that one of the biggest things accomplished in the late election was a "new deal" in the matter of office holding. Men who have been out for sixteen years want to get in, and those who have been in most of that time want to hang on to their places. The action of the Democrats of the senate ought to encourage their following throughout the country to believe that everything possible will be done to get offices for those who think they ought to have them.

The chairman of the committee on foreign affairs, made vacant by the election of Representative Sulzer as governor of New York, is one of the important places to be filled and it is probable the place will go to Representative Flood of Virginia, acting chairman. To succeed former Representative Hughes of New Jersey on the ways and means committee Representative Ansberry of Ohio is said to have been selected.

The Tafe Wanderlust. It may well be believed that President Taft is contemplating a trip around the world to make speeches in behalf of universal peace. It is said that after a year at Yale he will start on that journey. Mr. Taft likes to travel. He is the greatest office holder traveler the country has known. He likes to be on the go. So it is quite likely that he will accept the offer of the peace advocates to make speeches in foreign capitals urging the peaceful settlement of all questions.

This Not the Time.

No doubt the president would attract more attention if he should start at once on his world trip, but this is not a very auspicious time to talk peace. All Europe seems ready to fight, and on our own part we have broken a treaty which Great Britain seems to think is a serious matter. It is known that we will refuse to arbitrate (which is the peaceful way) the dispute over the canal tolls, and so we are not encouraging peace by our acts as much as by our talk. A year hence there may be a more peaceful world, and Mr. Taft can talk his peace theories more fully.

Parcel Post Beat Bourne.

Senator Bourne knows of two or three things that defeated him, any one of which was sufficient, but he has recently been informed that his advocacy of the parcel post contributed its full share.

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G. H. Tibbets was the contestant. He received 236 votes to 375 for McIntosh.

SHANK ORDERS FOOD RAID

Indianapolis Police Seize Hundreds of Pounds of Bad Nuts.

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—Inspectors of the city board of health raided one of the curb stands at the city market, confiscating hundreds of pounds of English walnuts and mixed nuts which were found to run from 40 to 50 per cent bad.

Mayor Shank instigated the raid when he learned from a large sign advertising the nuts that a "Shank" was going on and that the nuts were below the standard.

Inquiries at the "Shank" stand brought forth the information that the sale was being conducted by Carl Shank, market master and brother of the mayor. The mayor did not know at the time that his brother was interested in the sale.

Rucker's Progenitors.

Congressman Rucker of Colorado fought the bill containing the test of literacy rather than a proposition as to the moral character of immigrants. "I came of progenitors," he said, "who could have come here under the literacy clause easily enough, because they are of a family of letters and literature, as you can perceive by listening to one of them. But as I read the history of my family I find they were the most notorious pirates that ever plowed the great seas."

And in that way the Colorado man ridiculed the idea of keeping out illiterate men and letting in those who could read and write, but who might be scoundrels for all of that.

Querries of the Page.

There is a place out in the "hall of horrors" as statuary hall is sometimes called, where ladies go and send cards to members. "Is she young and good looking?" is one question which the page is asked. "Does she look as if she was trying to get an office?" is another. And it sometimes happens that the page is told to go out and tell the woman that he can't find the congressman. It is a fact that the women who really go out after things can cause a congressman more trouble than a man. Congressmen can deny a man, but a pitiful plea of a woman is hard to resist.

A Safe Bet.

"Pa, what is a 'safe bet'?" "The bet one intended to make, but didn't."—Boston Transcript.

Football Player Dead.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 26.—John E. Moll of this city, football coach at Purdue university the past season, died in a hospital here from typhoid fever. He was quarterback on the University of Wisconsin team in 1911 and was accorded all Western honors.

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DR. MARY WALKER.

Booms Onions as a Cure for Contagious Diseases.



OFFER COUNTER PEACE TERMS

JOHN BROWN'S SON IS DEAD

Was Enlisting Negroes During Harper's Ferry Outbreak.

Akron, O., Dec. 26.—Jason Brown, ninety years old, second son of John Brown, famous as the leader of the raid on Harper's Ferry, W. Va., at the outbreak of the Civil war, died at his home here.

He was actively engaged in recruiting and enlisting a company of negroes from among those smuggled into Canada by the "underground railroad" when the Harper's Ferry incident occurred.

A younger brother, Solomon Brown, lives in Portland, Ore.

CITY AT MERCY OF FLAMES

North Dakota Town Narrowly Escapes Destruction.

Minot, N. D., Dec. 26.—The entire business and manufacturing district of Minot was threatened with destruction by fire, which destroyed the plant of the Minot Foundry company, while the city was temporarily without protection, owing to a broken water main. The building of the Minot Sash and Door company, which adjoins the burning structure, was saved by firemen, who only could use a chemical engine. The loss is estimated at \$15,000.

ONIONS CURE FOR SMALLPOX

Dr. Mary Walker Says Their Use Will Cleanse Cities.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—The use of plenty of onions will drive, among other things, contagious diseases out of any city. Dr. Mary Walker, who is visiting with Chicago friends, declared. Here are Dr. Walker's directions for the use of onions.

Eat plenty of them, stewed, boiled, fried or raw.

Keep the fumes of onions continually permeating the atmosphere.

Spread onions in the alleys, on the lawn and any other place where it might appear they would do good.

Dr. Walker said onions are particularly effective against smallpox.

MANY BOMB PLOT ARRESTS

Hundreds Held After Attempt to Kill Indian Viceroy.

Delhi, India, Dec. 26.—Hundreds of persons have been arrested in connection with the bomb plot against Baron Hardinge, but no proof of a conspiracy has been uncovered.

It has developed that at least 150 persons were gathered back of the premises from which the bomb was thrown at the viceroy and that hundreds of natives were nearby.

Scores of theories are heard in regard to the affair. Some believe the attempted assassination was the work of a Bengalee who was trying to avenge what he considered the insult of the removal of India's capital from Calcutta to Delhi.

MINIMUM WAGE FOR WOMEN

Bill Will Appear in the Wisconsin Legislature.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 26.—The minimum wage measure will appear in a new form at the coming session of the Wisconsin legislature. Instead of fixing a flat rate of wages to be paid women workers, as was proposed at the last session, authority will probably be given, by the proposed bill, to the state industrial commission to increase the wages upon investigation. When women employees feel they are not being paid a living wage they may apply to the commission for an investigation and an adjustment of pay.

Sleeping Baby Smothered.

Ada, Minn., Dec. 26.—The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Helland, recently of North Dakota, was smothered to death when an older child lay on him while both were

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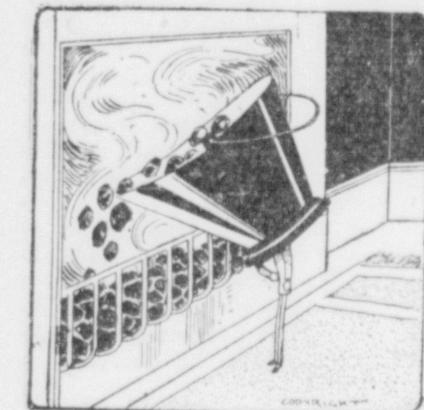
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Mrs. George Whitney, returned this afternoon to his home in Minneapolis.

Buy hard coal, nut, stove, pea and egg sizes and a good line of wood, soft and smokeless coals, from Everett & Hitch, where you get prompt service.

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John H. Horrigan of Virginia is examining the south range of the Cuyuna iron range with a view of making an investment of mining property.

We are making special arrangements for the Elks ball and would thank you for making your reservations with us as soon as possible. A. Purdy—Advt. 17413

H. Temple was operated on this morning at the Northern Pacific hospital and stood the shock of the ordeal well. His friends hope he will recover speedily.

Mrs. W. E. Arnold, the guest of Mrs. J. A. Arnold and Mrs. E. O. Webb, returned this afternoon to her home in St. Paul. Her husband preceded her on the early morning train.

The excitor at the electric light plant went on the blink at nine o'clock this morning and pending repairs of half hour duration, there was no electric light or power in Brainerd.

Alger Anderson, chief clerk of the Canadian Northern railway at Duluth, spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Anderson. He returned to Duluth on the afternoon train.

Rev. C. W. Boquist of the Swedish Mission church was pleasantly surprised Tuesday afternoon when his wife came up on the belated afternoon train from Minneapolis and is paying him a very pleasant visit.

Old Pilsner style Brainerd beer. Famous for quality and purity. Delivered to any part of the city. Phone 213.—Advt. 259tf

Oscar Swanson, a student at the University of Minnesota, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Morken of Beaudette, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Peterson.

Call phone 64 for the best accommodations for the Elks ball. A. Purdy—Advt. 17413

Mrs. J. K. Pearce and son went to the Pacific coast this noon where they will spend the winter.

Mrs. N. O. Iverson of Ironton, passed through Brainerd today on her way to Minneapolis.

Miss Mae Jones has returned from Fargo, N. D., to spend Christmas with relatives in Brainerd.

Miss Ellen Messiere took part in a Christmas cabaret entertainment at the Hotel Holland in Duluth.

Miss Valentine Hayes has returned from Valley City, N. D., to spend the Christmas holidays in Brainerd.

The case of Myers vs Quinn is on trial this afternoon in the district court with Judge W. S. McCleahan presiding.

Schmidt's bottle beer, famous for quality. Order a case. Telephone 164. John Coates Liquor Co.—Advt. 17413

The annual meeting of the Swedish Lutheran church will be held at two o'clock on the afternoon of New Years day.

Owen Hanscom, who has been visiting his uncle and aunt, Mr. and

Miss Ellen Messiere took part in a Christmas cabaret entertainment at the Hotel Holland in Duluth.

David Warfield and company in "The Return of Peter Grimm" passed through Brainerd at 10:20 this morning in a special train of a Pullman, tourist, day coach and two baggage cars in charge of Conductor John McNaughton, bound from Duluth to Crookston, Grand Forks and the west.

TWO FINE SIGHTS ON CANAL.

Spillway at Gatun Locks and Light-
house Are Splendid.

Two interesting spectacles on the great Panama canal, both of which represent fine pieces of engineering work, are the spillway of the Gatun locks and the lighthouse standing on the point of the locks between the two

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THE BRAINERD DAILY DISPATCH

REFUSES CHANCE TO MAKE \$160,000

C. Katz, of the Iron Exchange Clothing Store gets a Spanish Fortune Letter

A RUSSIAN BANKER WRITES

And Asks Mr. Katz to Help Him and Win One-third of His Big Estate as Reward

Along with the three shellgames and other bewhiskered, ancient schemes to make money, is the story of the Spanish prison and the Russian nobleman who has a \$480,000 estate tied up while he is in prison and who is willing to give one-third of his estate or \$160,000 to the kind, noble American who will help him get his baggage out of soot.

C. Katz of the Iron Exchange Clothing store is the latest Brainerd man to get this touching appeal. J. K. Pearce got a similar letter several months ago and refused the glowing offer, which Mr. Katz has likewise done.

The letter and newspaper clipping recite the adventures of a Russian banker Serge Solovieff, who was jailed in Spain and state that his noble and beautiful daughter is seeking his release.

To all accounts the present jail habitation would be a splendid permanent abode for this bogus banker and the bungo steering game he has to offer. The persistency with which these letters are written would indicate that there are some people foolish enough to bite at the bait and something should be done to stop the circulation of such swindling letters.

Mr. Katz said he thought of turning over the letter to the postal authorities to see if something could not be done to stop the swindling business.

THE ELKS GRAND BALL

Will be a Very Elaborate Affair Dec. 30th at Brainerd Auditorium —600 Invitations

The local lodge of Elks are taking every precaution to make their twelfth annual ball to be given at the Brainerd auditorium on the evening of December 30 one long to be remembered.

Over 600 invitations have been issued to brother Elks and their friends and F. S. Parker is receiving many requests from brother Elks, asking that an invitation be extended to some friend whom he can recommend.

Several society people from Altin, Crosby, Little Falls, Walker and Staples have made known their intention to be present on this occasion, and they can feel assured that the reception committee will look after their pleasure and comfort while they are in our city.

The several committees are carefully looking after every little detail in view of making this party a pleasure to all who attend.

One of the old bucks was heard to say to Exalted Ruler Casey: "Don't you think that you boys are overdoing this thing a little?" This was Jim's reply: "Why man, this affair will be like making love to a widow. You can't overdo it."

BOOSTERS MEETING POSTPONED

Will Not Meet Tonight, But a Week Later on Thursday Evening,

January 2, 1913

Owing to the proximity of the holidays, the many Christmas entertainments and other social demands, the Boosters club will not hold a meeting this evening and the gathering has been postponed to Thursday evening, January 2, 1913.

Could Shoot For Joy

"I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart," wrote C. B. Rader, of Lewisburg, W. Va., "for the wonderful double benefit I got from Electric Bitters, in curing me of both a severe case of stomach trouble and of rheumatism, from which I had been an almost helpless sufferer for ten years. It suited my case as though made just for me." For dyspepsia, indigestion, jaundice, and to rid the system of kidney poisons that cause rheumatism, Electric Bitters have no superior. Try them. Every bottle is guaranteed to satisfy. Only 50 cents at H. P. Dunn's.—Advt.

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CONFER WITH MACHINISTS

Representatives-Elect Bouck and Vasaly Meet a Committee Regarding Anti-Pass Law

Representatives-Elect C. W. Bouck of Royerton and Vasaly of Little Falls, are today holding a conference with delegates of the machinists union of Brainerd regarding certain amendments to be made to the anti-pass law. Acting for the machinists are Alderman Henning and Messrs. Jones and Weber.

Elkin-Clark

Herman Kasper Elkin and Miss Julia Clark of Loerch, were married at the parsonage of the Swedish Lutheran church at two o'clock on the afternoon of December 24, Rev. Elof Carlson performing the ceremony. The best man was Mr. Hanson and the bridesmaid was a sister of the bride. The Dispatch joins their many friends in wishing them much prosperity and happiness.

LUMBERJACK STORY WAS A CANARD

Special to Dispatch:

Northern Minnesota boasts of some strong whiskey and men with copper riveted stomachs to whom a dash of wood alcohol is a mere appetizer, but when a story emanating in territory along the Minnesota & International railway reached Brainerd on the early morning train to the effect that a camp of lumberjacks had imbued wood alcohol and sailed into each other with axes until weapons and poison had accomplished their dual purpose and a round dozen and two extra men of the woods turned up their toes, it seems that the limb had been reached in fiction.

Some good money was spent telephoning all over the northern country from Walker to Bemidji and farther north and many aad near the rumor but no one could actually verify the story.

The Bemidji Pioneer asserted the story was a rumor as was also the story from Northome to the effect that a man had been killed there.

That any one should wantonly create a rumor about a wholesale killing shows small sense on the part of the originator of such stuff.

Any sane man would ask, "What's the use of doing it?"

UNITED WATCH-NIGHT SERVICE

"Facing the Future" to be Theme at Union Service of Churches New Year's Eve

AT 7TH ST. NORW. LUTH. CHURCH

Addresses by the Revs. Campbell, Satterlee, Hostager, Sheridan, Cody and Zabel

Seven of the churches of the city have combined their efforts and will hold a united watch-night service next Tuesday, New Year's eve, in the Seventh Street Norwegian Lutheran church.

The service will commence at ten o'clock in the evening and will continue until a few minutes after midnight. The theme to be presented will be "Facing The Future," to be discussed in 10 minute addresses as follows:

"Facing the Future with Prudence," Rev. Bernard Campbell, pastor of St. Paul's Episcopal church.

"Facing the Future with Fortitude," Rev. Elbert E. Satterlee, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church.

"Facing the Future with Temperance," Rev. M. L. Hostager, pastor of the Seventh Street Norwegian Lutheran church.

"Facing the Future with Faith," Rev. G. Phil Sheridan, pastor of the First Congregational church.

"Facing the Future with Hope," Rev. R. E. Cody, pastor of the First Baptist church.

"Facing the Future with Charity," Rev. A. Zabel, pastor of Zion Evangelical church.

These addresses will be interspersed with special music. Rev. J. Lowrie, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will preside. Every body is invited to attend. The committee in charge urges all to spend the last few moments of the old year and the first few moments of the new in the atmosphere of things pertaining to this life and the next.

CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

At Merrifield School House are Largely Attended and Much Enjoyed by Those Present

About one hundred and fifty people enjoyed a very pretty Xmas tree at the Merrifield school house last Friday evening. The school children gave a pleasing program. Music was furnished by Mrs. James Mr. Niles and Mr. Larson, and a dialogue, "Ma Sweet and Daughters," which produced much laughter, was nicely played by Mrs. Cook as "Ma Sweet," and Mesdames Cornell, Russell and Haff, and the misses Laura Moore, Mable Gordon and Edith and Maud Niles as "Daughters."

Everyone present received a large sack of candy and nuts, also an apple and every child received a gift from Santa, as did the older people who assisted in making the occasion a success.

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look with horror on Skin Eruptions, Blotches, Sores or Pimples. They don't have them. For all such troubles use Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It glorifies the face. Excellent for Eczema or Salt Rheum, it cures sore Lips, chapped hands, chilblains, heals burns, cuts and bruises. Unsurpassed for piles. 25¢ at H. P. Dunn's.—Advt.

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Compassionate Nature.

"I haven't much objection to you personally," said Mr. Cumro, "but you know my daughter has been accustomed to every luxury."

"Well," replied the confident suitor, "I won't ask her to give up anything on my account. I think I could go along and enjoy luxury as much as anybody."—Washington Star.

DISPATCH ADS PAY—TRY ONE

STEAM SHOVEL AT PENNINGTON MINE

New 105 Ton Shovel Arrives at Pit Mine Near Crosby and is Being Assembled

MANY MINE BUILDINGS BUILT

Mild Weather Facilitates Mining Spalding Hotel Improvements

—Other News of Crosby

Crosby, Minn., Dec. 26.—Rapid progress is being made at the new Pennington mine on section 10. Six camps, the office and warehouse building, machine and blacksmith shops are being built and will soon be in readiness. The company has a large force at work clearing the land for the dump ground and clearing the land over the ore body is progressing rapidly. A new 105 ton steam shovel has arrived and is being rapidly assembled. This shovel will have a 15 yard dipper and will generate its own electricity which will be used for searchlights to permit uninterrupted work day and night. Steel rails for the tracks from the pit to the dump ground have arrived and track-laying started on Tuesday. It is expected that the company will have both shovels ready for operation by the first of the year.

The continued mild weather has proven a boon to the numerous mines operating in this vicinity, permitting a large amount of work being done when colder weather would have seriously hindered. At both the Armour No. 1 and No. 2 shafts a large amount of stock piling is being done as is also the case at the Thompson mine. By spring these properties will be in a position to ship a very large tonnage. The shaft at the Cuyuna-Duluth is being sunk at rapid rate and it is expected that the ore body will soon be reached. This property should also be on a shipping basis by spring.

Announcement is made by the new proprietors of the Spalding hotel that important improvements will be made to the hotel building in the near future. An addition 60x30 feet which when completed will add thirty rooms to the hotel accommodations. City water will be installed in each of the rooms and in addition to which a number of the rooms will have bath rooms. A large sample room, which is badly needed at the present time, will be provided for. The lobby and office will occupy the space now devoted to the bar room and the bar will be moved to the rear in the new addition. When the improvements contemplated have been completed, Crosby will boast of a hotel second to none on either of the ranges.

C. D. Tripp, general manager of the Rogers, Brown Ore Co., arrived in the city Friday night from Chicago.

"Geo. Schroder, of Ishpeming, Mich., was a guest at the Spalding last Friday.

Fred G. Brower of Carlton, was up from Carlton on Friday looking over the range.

Martin F. Falk of Duluth, registered at the Spalding on Saturday.

Attorney Wm. P. Harrison, of Duluth, was a business visitor in the city on Tuesday.

W. E. Weber and P. F. Hosch, of Little Falls, were in the city the latter part of last week. It is rumored that these gentlemen were in the city looking over the prospects with the object in view of opening up a new bank.

Dell St. Julian the genial clerk at the Spalding left on Tuesday for his home in Hibbing where he will spend the holidays. During the absence his duties will be looked after by Nels Floan.

R. R. Hudson left on Tuesday for Superior where he spent Christmas with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hinkle are spending the holidays with Mrs. Hinkle's parents at Verndale.

J. P. Cosgrove and L. E. Dunn, of the Crosby Exploration Co. office force left for their homes Monday night, the former going to Eau Claire, Wis., and the latter to Minneapolis where they will spend the holidays with their parents.

Miss Ethel Keiver left the latter part of last week for Superior where she will visit with relatives during the school vacation.

H. L. Spencer and S. T. Harrison left for their homes in Duluth on Tuesday afternoon where they will spend the Christmas holidays with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Pitt left Tuesday morning for Oelwein, Iowa, their former home, where they will visit with Mrs. Pitt's parents. They expect to be gone until shortly after the first of the year.

Geo. Ostergren, familiarly known by his many Duluth friends as "Dode," arrived in the city on Monday and has assumed the position of chief clerk at the Thompson mine, recently vacated by F. L. Johnson. Mr. Ostergren has been in the employ of the Missabe road in Duluth for a number of years.

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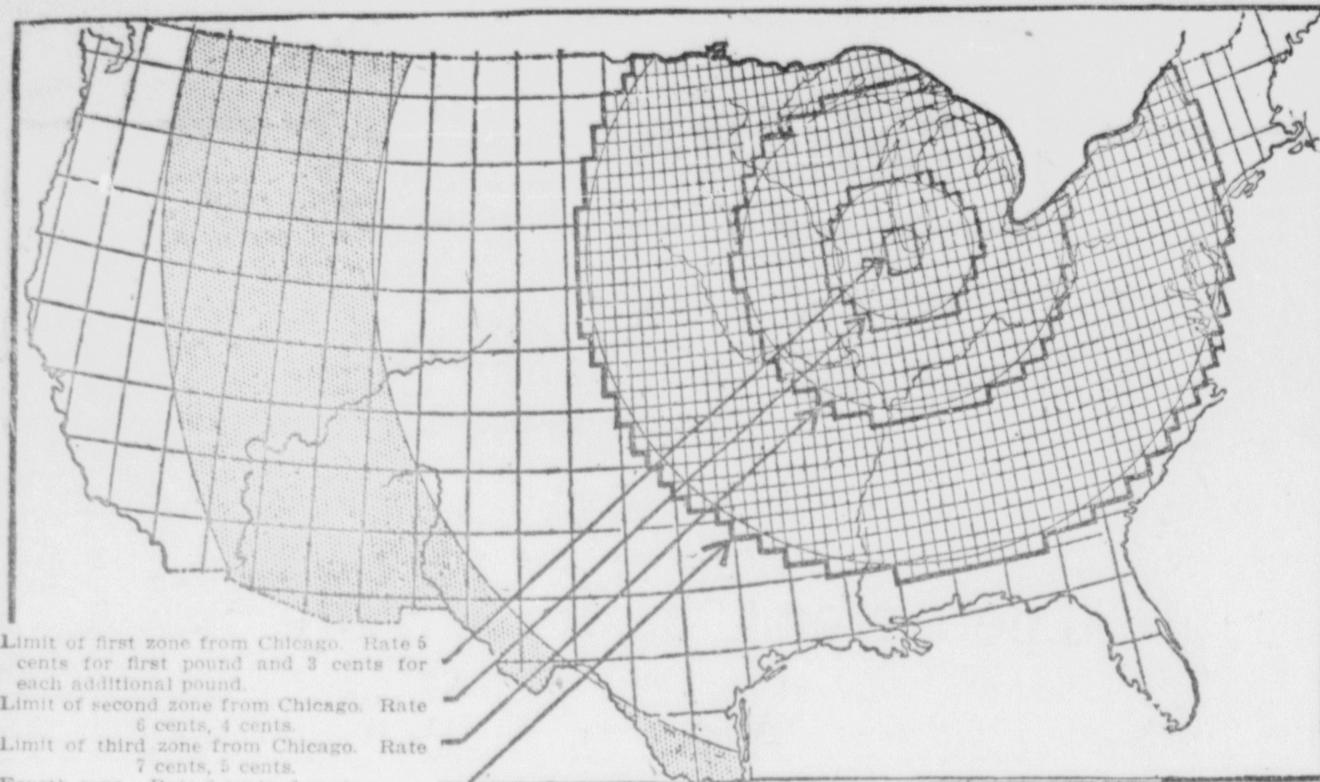
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TYPICAL DIAGRAM INDICATING PARCEL POST ZONES FROM CHICAGO AND SHOWING HOW TO COMPUTE POSTAGE ON PACKAGES.

This map, made with Chicago as a base, shows how the zone system will be used in arranging rates for the parcel post service which will be inaugurated Jan. 1.

Establishing zones by drawing circles of different diameters, with each postoffice as a center, would mean an impracticable amount of figuring. Instead of using townships and counties as units or starting points it was decided to divide the whole country into blocks or units, each block being half a degree in latitude in north-south extension and half a degree of longitude east and west. There are 3,600 of these units in the country.

Find the center of the unit in which your postoffice is located. Draw a circle of fifty miles radius around that center. Every unit which lies wholly within that circle or more than half of which is within the first zone is included in the first zone from any postoffice, and the postage rate is 5 cents for the first pound and 3 cents for each additional pound.

The second zone is determined by drawing with the same center a circle of 150 miles radius. Every unit which lies within it, but outside of the first zone, is in the second zone, and the rate is 6 cents for the first pound and 4 cents for each additional pound.

The method by which the second zone is determined is used for all other zones, their radii and rate of postage for the first and additional pounds respectively being as follows: Third zone, 300 miles, 7 cents, 5 cents; fourth zone, 400 miles, 8 cents, 6 cents; fifth zone, 1,000 miles, 9 cents, 7 cents; sixth zone, 1,400 miles, 10 cents, 8 cents; seventh zone, 1,800 miles, 11 cents, 10 cents; eighth zone, 2,200 miles, 12 cents flat.

For the purpose of carrying this law into effect the United States is divided into zones, with different rates of postage applicable to each, as follows:

Weight.		1st zone.													
Local rate.	Zone rate, 50 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 150 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 300 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 400 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 1,000 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 1,400 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 1,800 miles.	Local rate.	Zone rate, 2,200 miles.
1 pound	\$0.05	\$0.05	\$0.06	\$0.07	\$0.08	\$0.10	\$0.11	\$0.12	\$0.13	\$0.15	\$0.17	\$0.19	\$0.21	\$0.24	\$0.28
2 pounds .....	.06	.08	.10	.12	.14	.16	.18	.20	.22	.24	.26	.28	.30	.32	.36
3 pounds .....	.07	.11	.14	.17	.20	.23	.26	.29	.32	.35	.38	.41	.44	.48	.52
4 pounds .....	.08	.12	.18	.22	.26	.30	.37	.41	.46	.51	.60	.66	.72	.80	.88
5 pounds .....	.09	.17	.22	.27	.32	.37	.44	.55	.61	.69	.78	.84	.91	.98	.106
6 pounds .....	.10	.20	.26	.32	.38	.44	.51	.61	.69	.78	.84	.91	.98	.106	.114
7 pounds .....	.11	.23	.30	.37	.44	.51	.58	.67	.73	.81	.88	.94	.101	.108	.116
8 pounds .....	.12	.26	.34	.42	.50	.58	.65	.72	.80	.88	.96	.103	.110	.118	.126
9 pounds .....	.13	.29	.38	.47	.56	.65	.72	.80	.88	.96	.104	.112	.120	.128	.136
10 pounds .....	.14	.32	.42	.52	.62	.72	.81	.91	.101	.110	.118	.126	.134	.142	.150
11 pounds .....	.15	.35	.46	.57	.68	.79	.89	.100	.111	.122	.130	.138	.146	.154	.162

Parcel Post Is Operated On Unit System With 8 Zones

Any One Can Learn Postage Rates by Figuring Out Distance From Postoffice.

BEGINNING New Year's day at 6 a. m. the new parcel post law permits any inhabitant of the United States to send through the mail merchandise of all descriptions, provided it does not weigh more than eleven pounds and is not more than six feet in combined length and girth. One point the postmaster general wishes emphasized is that is that all packages have to be taken to the postoffice by the sender, and this doesn't mean the numbered substitutions ordinarily found in drug stores, but the regular postoffice stations.

The packages will be delivered at their destination in wagons, the deliveries being as regular as the present letter service.

At present the number of men in the

postal service has not been increased. Such a step is considered unnecessary at present. The postoffice department has been working overtime since last July, when congress passed the law, preparing for the inauguration of the new service. Twenty thousand of the most delicate and intricate scales have been ordered for delivery before Jan. 1.

A most elaborate system of maps has been completed, inaugurating a zone system. There are eight different zones. Upon the maps are depicted various units in each zone. Every town is situated in a numbered unit, shown upon the map. The first zone is any distance within fifty miles. The second zone is a greater distance, and so on until the last zone, which takes in Alaska and the Hawaiian Islands, but not the Philippines.

For instance, the map with its num-

The "Rote of the Waves."

It is a favorite theory with the fishing and seafaring people on the northeast of Scotland that in a storm three waves are strong and violent, while the fourth is comparatively weak and less dangerous. This succession they call a "rote of waves." Fishermen returning from their fishing ground often prove by experience the truth of their theory and hang back as they come near the shore to take advantage of the bill that follows, say, pretty regularly after three big breakers.

WIRELESS PHONE A SUCCESS.

Harvard Professor Sends Sound of Voice Thirty-five Miles.

Assistant Professor G. W. Pierce of the department of physics at Harvard has devised a new wireless telephone instrument which may eventually revolutionize the methods of long distance communication. The new instrument has already received the hearty endorsement of John Hays Hammond, Jr.

Professor Pierce was the guest of Mr. Hammond at his Gloucester laboratory at Fresh Water Cove recently, where a series of experiments was conducted with the new apparatus.

The wireless power was concentrated about fifty feet above sea level. By means of the new instrument Professor Pierce got into communication with the Harvard Wireless club, thirty-five miles away, and talked with several of the club members for a space covering

designate the zone. All he has to do is to mark his scale with the zone indicator and the machine will show the amount of postage.

The postoffice department has issued a guide book and map that can be purchased for 75 cents. There is also an insurance against loss of all packages not over \$50.

Among the things that will not be accepted for delivery are intoxicants, explosives, inflammable liquids, live or dead animals, firearms, disease germs, books or printed matter.

A special series of stamps has been engraved for the service.

The greatest advantage of the parcel post is to the farmer who wants to sell his products direct to the consumer. A postal card for a dozen or more fresh eggs can be sent on one day and the eggs received the next. All kinds of produce will be acceptable. Eggs can be packed separately in cotton and placed in corrugated pasteboard boxes so they can be shipped with entire safety. All packages containing eggs must be marked "eggs."

All fragile articles, such as millinery, toys, musical instruments, glassware, etc., must be marked "fragile."

It is expected that the parcel post will hurt the express companies' business, particularly in short deliveries, on account of the cheap rates of the parcel post. The suburban poultry and produce markets will be accessible to thousands of town buyers.

The parcel post stamps measure 1 by

1½ inches between perforated lines. The color is red for all denominations. In a curved panel across the top, supported by a paneled perpendicular column at each end.

Triangular ornaments occupy both upper corners. The denomination in large numerals is in each lower corner, with the title of the subject and the word "cents" or "dollars" between.

The designs on the several denominations are as follows:

1 cent—Postoffice clerk.
2 cents—Postman.
3 cents—Railway postal clerk.
4 cents—Mail carrier.
5 cents—Mail train.
10 cents—Steamship and mail tender.
15 cents—Automobile service.
20 cents—Aeroplane carrying mail.
25 cents—Manufacturing.
50 cents—Dairying.
75 cents—Hunting.
\$1—Fruit growing.

Making Up.

There had been a lovers' quarrel, and it was his first visit in two weeks.

"I guess you know there was a difference between your sister and myself?" he ventured, trying to pump the little sister.

"Yes, indeed," responded the latter without hesitation.

"Well—er—do you think Clara will make up when she comes down?"

Little Bessie leaned over nearer and whispered:

"She is upstairs making up now."

—Chicago News.

RUSSIA'S BIGGEST FORGERY.

Enjoy Yourself and Ignore Diet Tables, Says Sir George Birdwood.

Russia's secret police are busy tracing the producers of millions of counterfeit notes that have been passed into circulation in Russia and on Russian financial houses abroad. It is the biggest and most perplexing forgery case they have ever tackled.

Four of the men concerned in the traffic—a commercial drummer named Dunayevsky, a merchant named Semonov and two others named Liebenthal and Rochlin—have been captured with skilfully forged notes to the face value of nearly a quarter of a million rubles in their possession. They have been subjected to the Russian variety of the third degree examination, but have revealed nothing leading to the discovery of the forgers' factory.

Two men suspected of complicity were traced in vain to France.

Naval Aero Chief Urges Government Laboratory For Work

CAPTAIN WASHINGTON L. CHAMBERS, chief of the naval aviation corps, in his annual report to the chief of the bureau of navigation states that although the aeroplane has not yet arrived at the state of perfection required by all work contemplated for it in naval warfare, it is sufficiently advanced to be of great service in many ways should it be required for emergency use.

Regarding the establishment of an aerodynamic laboratory in New York, which he discusses at some length in his report, Captain Chambers says:

"The status of aviation in the world today may be summarized as follows: The work of establishing aerodynamic laboratories has transported aeronautics generally into the domain of engineering, in consequence of which aviation has reached a stage of development wherein the methods of scientific engineers have replaced the crude efforts of the pioneer inventors.

"Inasmuch as more definite information regarding the actual cost of a dignified and creditable but modest and sufficient installation should be obtained, and as the details of the plan, the scope, the organization and the location of such an important undertaking should not be left to the recommendations of one man, I respectfully recommend that a commission or board be appointed to consider and report to the president, for recommendation to congress, on the necessity or desirability for the establishment of a national aerodynamic laboratory and on its scope, its organization, the most suitable location for it and the cost of its installation."

Working on the assumption that aeroplanes can be carried, stowed and easily launched from all large ships, the latter by means of the catapult recently tested successfully at the Washington navy yard, Captain Chambers

CAPTAIN WASHINGTON L. CHAMBERS, has prepared a list of contemplated uses of the hydroaeroplane in actual naval warfare. They are:

"To reconnoiter an enemy's port or to search out his advanced bases and to assist in the operations of a blockaded or a blockading force, to locate and destroy submarine mines, submarine and torpedo boats; to damage an enemy's docks, magazines, ships in repair, sheds and other resources; to provide means of rapid confidential communication between a fleet commander and the commanding officer of a force on shore or the commander of another fleet or division.

"They can be carried on all scouts and large cruisers to extend 'the eyes of the fleet.' They can be carried with ample supplies on board any naval supply auxiliary for scouting advanced bases and use with expeditionary forces."

In response to Captain Chambers' suggestion President Taft appointed a commission on an aerodynamical laboratory, of which Dr. R. S. Woodward, president of the Carnegie Institute of Washington and a representative of the National Academy of Sciences, is chairman.

The object of the commission will be to report to the president, for recommendation to congress, on the necessity or desirability of establishing a national aerodynamical laboratory, its scope, organization, the most suitable location for it and the cost of its installation.

In a letter to the president commanding the appointment of the committee, Secretary Meyer said:

"The construction of air craft among all the leading powers of Europe is now based largely on scientific information obtained at their notable aerodynamic laboratories, and the installation of such a plant in this country is regarded as a necessity to our commercial interests and to the production of safety and efficiency in our air craft."

In his annual report Rear Admiral Philip Andrews, chief of the bureau of navigation of the navy department, pointed out through the delay in establishing an aerodynamic laboratory in the United States there had resulted a waste of time and money.

The Shot, He Cleated. An Englishman who had been holding in the far north paid a visit to the battlefield of Culloden. His driver, a fine old Highlander, acting as guide, pointed out to him everything of interest which tradition or historical fact associated with the fight. "And there," said the guide, pointing with his whip to a field not far off, "lie the English." "Ah! Very interesting," replied the Englishman. "Yes," retorted the Highlander, with something like passion in his voice, "and you will notice that it is Scotch oats that is growing there."

CHOOSING A HOBBY.

Make It One That Will Relieve the Tension of Business.

Writing on the advantage and enjoyment of having a hobby, Arnold Bennett says in the Metropolitan:

"In choosing a distraction—that is to say, in choosing a rival to his business—he should select some pursuit whose nature differs as much as possible from the nature of his business, and which will bring into activity another side of his character. If his business is monotonous, demanding care and solitude rather than irregular, intense efforts of the brain, then let his distraction be such as will make a powerful call upon his brain. But if on the other hand the course of his business runs in crises that string up the brain to its tightest strain, then let his distraction be a foolish and merry one."

"Many men fall into the error of assuming that their hobbies must be as dignified and serious as their vocations, though surely the example of the greatest philosophers ought to have taught them better! They seem to imagine that they should continually be improving themselves in either body or mind. If they take up a sport, it is because the sport may improve their health. And if the hobby is intellectual it must needs be employed to improve their brain."

"The fact is that their conception of self improvement is too narrow. In their restricted sense of the phrase they possibly don't need improving, they possibly are already improved to the point of being a nuisance to their fellow creatures; possibly what they need is worsening. In the broad and full sense of the phrase self improvement, a course of self worsening might improve them."

"I have known men—and everybody has known them—who would approach neared to perfection if they could only acquire a little carelessness, a little absentmindedness, a little illogicalness, a little irrational and infantile gaiety, a little unscrupulousness in the matter of the time of day. These considerations should be weighed before certain hobbies are dismissed as being unworthy of a plain man's notice."

Bow of the Boat.

When once a notion becomes firmly fixed into the head of the people it is strange how difficult it is to get that notion out again. For many years all ships were clumsily built, with the bow wider than the stern, because some one had declared that a log could be towed more easily that way with the butt end first and the tapering end last. One day some man who was independent enough to think for himself tried the experiment and built a ship, such as those in use now, with the bow the narrowest. Of course it increased the speed of the ship, and since that day boats have been built that way, and logs